

Plenty Of Advice For Willard

Letters Come From All Over World

By "TEX" O'Rourke, Willard's Sparring Partner.

WILLARD'S Training Camp, Near El Paso, Tex., Feb. 16.—If Jesse Willard should attempt to open, read and answer every letter he receives, he would require the assistance of two or three secretaries and a large force of stenographers.

I presume that every person who gets before the public to the titled aristocrat, is flooded, more or less, with outbursts from friends, cranks and nuts, but I doubt if any of them get a finer collection of mad notes, health hints, requests and stray bits of advice, than Willard does.

These masterpieces of prophetic prattle and pink paper piffle are carefully separated from the regular correspondence, divided into groups for future reference, and labeled "Old Playmates," "Advice," "Solutions," "Hints," "Touches," "Mash Notes" and "Miscellaneous." Perhaps some day, long after he has won the championship, the big fellow will read all these missives carefully and reward the desiring but for the present, many an anxious friend or admiring maiden will listen in vain for the postman's call.

Victory Made Easy.

A little thing like winning a world's championship is a comparatively simple matter, if you can place any credence in the many suggestions submitted to him. For instance:

"Dear Jesse:

"You probably never heard tell of me, but I know a thing or two before you were born, and if you do what I say, you will win sure. In the first place, don't let Johnson hit you with his right every time he tries to duck. If he hits at you with his left, sidestep and hit him in the stomach and keep this up until he drops. You don't need to know any more than that. I will send you a ticket, I will come to your camp and show you some other new ones.

"I have corrected his spelling here and there and eliminated a few choice bits of forceful English, otherwise the letter is verbatim.

Another Suggestion.

Notice how different is this other "expert" idea. Both suggestions are so apparently plausible that Jesse may find it hard to decide on which to trust his fate.

Dear Sir:

I am going to tell you the only way

"Be Awake," Says Collins To Players

Can Only Cooperate By Being Alert

EDDIE COLLINS, one of the few player authors who write their own dope, has an article in the March Baseball Magazine on the value of alertness. Speaking of this valuable quality in a ball player, Collins says:

Alertness in an essential characteristic of every good ball player. How often do you hear a player say, "Be awake" shouted across the ball field. As I look back on it now it seems as though those were the very last words I recall my old man saying to me. Harry, saying in the last World's Series, in the closing innings, when defeat for us seemed inevitable, he was the only one with any "peppery" left, and kept bawling to the rest of the infielders, "Come on, show some life here!"

Ought To Be In Game.

In a game of ball the thing which ought to be foremost in a player's mind is to win. Each man grows to feel that he is one of the cogs in the machinery of his team, and an error on his part of omission, rather than commission, will not prove disastrous to himself alone but to his club mates as well. For that reason it is most essential for a player to have his mind strictly on the game when he is on the field of play and there is a game in progress. It is not an uncommon thing for a base runner to talk with an opponent when he is temporarily resting at a certain base, but take it from me, there are many a sign flashed by the batter to this same base runner that escapes the latter's notice simply because his attention is centered other than where it should be.

"Keep your eyes on the ball" is a favorite slogan of a football coach, but those same words are just as applicable to a baseball player. There are any number of amazing plays which I could relate to you, but I will only say that a player who is not alert to the situation, and consequently could not cooperate with his team mate, who was alive in every sense of the word.

Bole Hit Blackburn.

"Ping" Bole, of the White Sox, whom the average writer seems reluctant to give credit for having good baseball sense, nearly put Lena Blackburn out of business one day last week in Chicago because he pulled a really smart play that caught the latter unawares. It came down to a ninth inning with an Athletics runner on first and third with one out and the score tied when Baker hit a long fly out in Bole's territory. At first glance it would seem plausible, that in the event of the catch, the only play for Ping to make would be to home plate to shut off the winning run. This is exactly the one thought that Blackburn had in mind because he turned his back to

center field so as to watch the outcome of the play at the plate. But not so with Ping. He must have felt that he was a sure thing, and he was, who was on third, so selected the wiser course of preventing the man on first from advancing to second. His throw to that base was swift and true, as no one better than Blackburn can verify, because the ball struck the latter flush, much to the amusement of all but poor Lena.

DEPARTMENT STORE AUTO OVERTURNS ON TWO BOYS

Jack Musselwhite and Greg Leyva were painfully injured when a delivery automobile belonging to Everybody's store overturned at the corner of Kansas and Mulberry streets, about 10:25 Tuesday morning.

The machine was going north on Kansas street and had reached the intersection of Missouri when a machine was seen approaching from the west. Each machine attempted to avoid the other and in making a sharp turn the delivery auto turned on its side. The boys were pinned under it, but were released by bystanders and hurried to Hotel Diet.

COUNSEL FOR BECKER WILL ASK NEW TRIAL

New York, Feb. 16.—J. R. Johnston, counsel for Charles Becker, former police lieutenant under sentence of death for the murder of Herman Rosen, that announced today that within three days he would make a formal motion for a new trial for Becker. Mr. Johnston said he would leave his motion on the affidavit made in Philadelphia by James Marshall, state's witness, repudiating testimony given at Becker's second trial.

Johnston said that he had obtained corroborative evidence substantiating Marshall's repudiation of his testimony and was confident that a new trial would be granted.

MRS SELDITZ'S HOME IS ROBBED MONDAY NIGHT

The home of Mrs. E. C. Selditz, 805 Wyoming street, was entered some time during the early part of Monday night and a quantity of jewelry and clothing was stolen. The loss was discovered when Mrs. Selditz returned home about 10 o'clock.

Notice.

Holmes Dreins and Cleaning Works is no longer connected in any way with the tailoring and cleaning office at 103 San Antonio street, next to the Wigwag theater. Phone 186 and our auto is now on you. Can leave package on Mesa avenue, next to Guarantee Shoe Co. No place like Holmes.—Adv.

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The El Paso Ad Club

RICE REPLIES TO JACK CURLEY

Says Boxing Is Legitimate Sport, but Prize Fighting Is Brutal.

BY REV. PERRY J. RICE.

The article published in The Herald Saturday evening in which Jack Curley, the man who is promoting the proposed prize fight between Willard and Johnson, seeks to give the thing standing and respectability, deserves only a passing notice. It is indeed, a masterpiece of the kind of reasoning against the ministers will fall of their own weight.

The ministers of this city who are making objections to the proposed fight and the publicity it is receiving, are all men of mature years and long residence here, and are not the least bit disturbed by the efforts to discredit them which the stranger in our midst is making.

Mr. Curley wonders why, if the ministers regard him as a bum, they do not try to reform him. It might be well to remind him that the ministers have never called him a bum or used any other epithet in relation to him personally.

Deplores His Activity.

We deplore his activity in promoting an enterprise that in its very nature is calculated to call all sorts of undesirable men to our city. We would therefore be very glad to reform him, but, after reading his very glaring account of himself and learning of his great activity in the interest of humanity in connection with great national disasters, we feel like saying to him what the Master said to the proud Pharisees of their own righteousness: "They that are whole do not need a physician."

Reformation is a first step in reforming and it is always proper to require fruits in token of repentance.

Boxing a Legitimate Sport.

Mr. Curley does not fool with people by his studied use of the term "boxing" to dignify his proposed fight. Boxing is a legitimate and worthy sport carried on in many places under proper supervision. Where the principals are clean, athletic fellows, whose no financial stake is involved, and no betting or gambling of any sort is allowed there is little if any objection to be made to it.

Prize Fighting Brutal.

Prize fighting is a brutal thing even if "five ounce" gloves are used. It is commercialized to such an extent that it ceases to be a sport and is attended by betting and gambling, as everybody very well knows.

In the case before us a negro of acknowledged moral corruption, who has nothing of his being a fugitive from justice, is to be paid \$20,000 of good money with which he may further debauch himself and corrupt all whom he may persuade by means of his money to associate with him.

This thing is not done for practically the whole of the United States and no better evidence of this fact is needed than the fact that Mr. Curley proposes to drag his controversy across the continent and stage the fight in a foreign country.

If it is so welcome as he tries to show us in so many states, why does he not stage it in one of them.

Not Invited to El Paso.

Nobody invited him to make El Paso his headquarters, and he says that he will attend it. No organization representative of the citizenship of this city is fostering the thing. No one except a few who hope to get rich by financially and a few who always disregard morals wants it here. The chamber of commerce declined to have anything to do with it. Thousands of the best citizens of the city have expressed their disapproval of it. I should think Mr. Curley would attempt to avoid the disapproval of the city.

He is the promoter of a prize fight he is not wanted here.

If the fight is staged across the river, some of our citizens will doubtless attend, but not because they think it will contribute anything to themselves or to the moral or sacred welfare of the city. Nobody for a moment will say that the fight will make El Paso a better place in which to live and rear children, and nobody believes that the publicity El Paso is getting by reason of it is the sort of publicity the city needs.

No Further Reply.

But I do not wish to continue this controversy. I am not a lover of doing the kind of thing I have felt called upon to do in this connection. I shall not reply further to Mr. Curley or anybody else. If The Herald thinks it is serving the public and promoting the city's welfare by continuing the kind of publicity it has so freely lent itself to in these recent days, it has that privilege. The point is that if as they will, I feel that I have done my full duty for the present at least, and I have the satisfaction of knowing that I have voiced the sentiment of multitudes both from within and from without the city in saying what I have said in opposition to, and prize fighting and the publicity it is getting.

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First race—Purse: 1 year old maidens; five and a half furlongs.

1924 Killa May 110
1925 Virginia Field 110
1926 Gogarty 110
1927 Solder's Best 110
1928 Zamboni 110
1929 Bert Davis 110
1930 Tommie Coleman 110

Second race—Purse: 1 year olds and upward; one mile.

1931 Astarte 95
1932 C. R. Davis 125
1933 Wolf Ball 125
1934 Nollie Chad 125
1935 Circulation 125
1936 John Louis 125
1937 Mike Smith 125
1938 Peira 125
1939 Chas. J. Harvey 125
1940 Completion 125

Third race—Purse: 1 year olds and upward; one mile.

1941 Dave Montgomery 125
1942 Ray 125
1943 Agnes 125
1944 Dean 125
1945 Bonnie's Buck 125
1946 Sandy 125
1947 Florence Kripp 125
1948 Noble Grand 125

Fourth race—Purse: 4 year olds and upward; seven furlongs.

1949 Art Dick 125
1950 Kick 125
1951 Agnes 125
1952 High Street 125
1953 Lone Star 125
1954 C. R. Davis 125
1955 Canada 125
1956 Dulation 125
1957 F. B. Reed 125

Fifth race—Purse: 3 year olds; one mile.

1958 Mahel Dulwahr 95
1959 Matt Blet 95
1960 Anna Herndon 95
1961 Holobles 95
1962 Diana 95
1963 Hades 95
1964 Chas. J. Harvey 95
1965 Stolen Ante 95

Sixth race—Purse: 4 year olds and upward; one mile.

1966 Waverly 95
1967 Waverly 95
1968 Bryndimah 125
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Seventh race—Purse: 4 year olds and upward; one mile.

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Managing With the Second Guess

Written Especially for This Paper by the Famous American League Umpire.

TOUGH breaks followed one another in quick succession for manager Jennings in that 1908 series with the Chicago Cubs. After dropping the first game, after seemingly having it won, fate gave the Tiger leader another cruel thrust in the second contest. The final score of the second game was 5 to 1 in favor of Chicago, but the result gives no idea what a battle the Tigers put up until overwhelmed at the very finish.

Manager Jennings called upon his one best bet, Bill Donovan, to capture the game and even up the series. Overall was the selection of manager Chance. The game from the outset revealed itself into a pitcher's battle. For seven innings Donovan had all the better of the struggle, then a scratch single and a rather lucky homer practically broke up the game and resulted in the utter rout of the Tigers. Up to the wild eighth, Donovan had allowed only one hit and had struck out seven men. In the same length of time, Overhill had allowed only three hits. During the first seven innings neither club had seriously threatened the plate.

Jennings protested.

Hoffman started the eighth inning at Chicago by scratching an infield single. Tucker then walked, a slow ball on the outside. It looked as though it would be an easy catch for the Tigers, but a foul tip, the high wind that was blowing, got hold of it and carried it into the right field bleachers. Tucker made the circuit of the bases, Hoffman scoring ahead of him. The way overall was pitching, and the fact that the Tigers had only one more chance at the bat, made their two runs loom up like a mountain. At this stage of the game manager Jennings butted into the proceedings with a long and loud debate, having for his opponent umpire Klem. Jennings, ably assisted by the entire Detroit club, strenuously protested the allowing of a home run on this hit, contending that it was covered by the ground rules and should only go for two bases. Umpire Klem could not see it in that light and insisted that such a hit was not

covered by the ground rules and that Tucker was entitled to a home run.